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"LET DOWN THE NETS"

The pressing need of Coadjutor Brothers in the Assistancy is shown by their fewness. At the beginning of 1944 they numbered but 579 in our provinces. Of these 218 are over 50, and 135 are over 60 years of age. God give them many more years of life, yet in the ordinary course of events many replacements will be needed in the not too distant future.

During the last seven years there has been a decrease in the number of all our Brothers. They now number 17 fewer than in 1938.

As of July, 1944, in all our Novitiates combined there were but 11 second year and first year Novice Brothers and 12 Postulants.

Those of Ours whose work gives them the opportunity are earnestly requested to seek out and foster Brother vocations continuously. All of Ours are asked to commend this intention to God in their Holy Sacrifices and Prayers.

Sincerely in Corde Christi,

ZACHEUS J. MAHER, S.J.

ALMA

Aug. 20. Neo-theologians (28) arrived: 13 Oregonians, 15 Californians. The community numbers 149: 46 Fathers, 94 Scholastics, 9 Brothers. Fr. Guenther is Procurator; Fr. Brusher commutes from the Novitiate twice a week to teach Ecclesiastical History.

Fr. Donnelly gave the philosophers' retreat at Mt. St. Michael's.

Br. McDermott has been appointed buyer.

Fr. Hagemann gave the Brothers' retreat at Santa Clara. Four Brothers and two Scholastics from Alma made the retreat.

Aug. 29. Fr. Moran, teaching philosophy at Ysleta, visited to consult the library.

Sept. 8. Fr. Budde and six Scholastics helped fight a fire at the farm on the Gist Road near the Summit. Though the house was totally destroyed, they prevented the fire from spreading to the surrounding forest.

Sept. 9. Mr. Nicholas Gomez of the

Mexican Province arrived to begin theology. He taught at Guadalajara.

Mr. Sudmeier manages the Canisius Correspondence Courses. To date, Christian Doctrine material has been sent to 455 persons, mostly service men. Thirty-one baptisms have been recorded.

Sept. 13. Mass of the Holy Ghost and Schola Brevis.

Six Scholastics helped fight a fire at Idylwild. Mr. Maring is chief of the mobile unit; Mr. Patrick Devlin heads the community fire department. Three companies have been organized as a protective measure against fire in the buildings: Mr. Boyle's group takes care of the theologians' buildings; Mr. Maring's, the village; Mr. Callan's, the rectory unit.

A corrugated iron culvert was put in by the County to carry the water from Little Dam Canyon under the county road and our road, ad into the canyon adjacent to the class room building. During the work, traffic was detoured westward on the Villa Joseph Road, and eastward through the village.

Since 1935, 268 Jesuits of the California and Oregon Provinces have been ordained priests. Of these 4 have died. Those ordained previously number 221.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

At a cost of \$11,000, the University has purchased a piece of property alongside the Law School to provide for the expansion of the Law School and for a Downtown College.

Dr. Stanley Chan comes to Loyola four mornings and two evenings each week to instruct the two Scholastics who are destined for China.

Fr. Thomas Sullivan, secular priest and pastor of the nearby Visitation Parish, is staying at the University while his rectory is being built. He has 278 families in his rapidly growing flock.

Corporal Vince Pacewic of Loyola was one of the seven men picked out of 50,000 to form football teams for the forces overseas. The six other stars were also from Catholic colleges.

Archbishop Cantwell called twice to

see Fr. Whelan to obtain a Latin teacher for Cathedral High in Los Angeles, where the Christian Brothers are in charge. When Fr. Weckbach had been assigned to the new post, the Provincial of the Brothers readjusted a northern staff and sent a Brother to teach Latin in Los Angeles.

Fr. Vaughan is the Catholic speaker on the western platform of the Catholic-Protestant-Jewish Fellowship Program.

LOYOLA HIGH

The student body is 880. The faculty has had the rare joy of being happy, whenever it became known that someone was not returning.

His Excellency Archbishop Cantwell, has appointed Fr. Rector chairman of a diocesan committee to propagate the Pope's Peace Plan. The first meeting was held on September 8 in the school library.

Sept. 14. The Henry Welch Guild opened its season with a luncheon in the school auditorium and the installation of new officers for the coming year.

During the first and second weeks of school a physical examination was given to all prospective members of the ROTC.

Sept. 15. Mass of the Holy Ghost.

Sept. 26-28. Annual Retreat. Fr. McCann conducted it for the Seniors and Juniors in the school auditorium; Fr. Parrish for the Sophomores and Freshmen, at St. Thomas Church.

LOS GATOS

Aug. 12. Arrival of John B. Alhadeff, a Scholastic Novice, from Van Nuys.

Aug. 14. Entrance of the following Scholastic Novices: Joseph B. Ward and Louis Conte from Los Angeles Junior Seminary; Joseph Rosbottom from Loyola High; William Armstrong from Villanova Prep; Philip Ensminger, James Strauckamp, Robert Fahrner, Richard Maher and Benjamin Meyer from Bellarmine; Henry Olivier and Leonard Sullivan from St. Ignatius; and George Aziz from Brownsville, Texas.

Aug. 26. Arrival of Edward Hansses, a Coadjutor Postulant, from San Francisco.

Sept. 8. Last Vows of Fr. Lawrence McHugh, Navy Chaplain of the Maryland Province. He arrived in time for a short retreat preparatory to his vows. He was a former classmate of Fr. Rector at Innsbruck, who received his vows. Fr. McHugh saw plenty of action in the South Pacific, as his ship is one of the flat-tops. He reported for duty again on Sept. 8.

Sept. 8. First Vows of Bros. Carl M.

Twaddell and J. Woodward Johnson.

Sept. 9. First Vows of Br. James F. Sullivan.

Sept. 9. House meteorologist, Br. John G. Mylott reports that the temperature hit an all time high for the Novitiate, at 111 degrees.

To provide the mens sana with a corpus sanum, the Juniorate has a Fall League of Softball comprised of the following teams: Fr. Rector's Giants, Fr. St. Sure's Sluggers, Fr. Burman's Bombers, Fr. Brushers' Crushers.

Gregorian Chant has a real revival. Under the direction of Fr. St. Sure, the High Masses will be chanted by the entire community. Juniors and Novices each have one class a week of instruction; while a large group of those interested meets weekly to learn the Propers.

A larger position in the Juniorate curriculum has been given to the study of Eloquence. Besides regular classes, each Junior receives personal instruction from Fr. Silva.

A Writers' Guild has been organized for the Juniors by Fr. Brusher.

The old music room is being converted into a radio room. Entirely treated for sound, it will be a studio for the production of small radio plays.

Construction has begun on a new garage to house the trucks. Built of stone, it is to be an extension of the present garage.

Br. Joneleit is a recent arrival from Blessed Sacrament. Br. McNamara is replacing him for a few months as sacristan in Los Angeles.

SAN FRANCISCO

In September Fr. Malaise celebrated his Golden Jubilee. Fr. Cody preached the sermon at the Jubilarian's Mass. September 26 was also the 36th anniversary of Fr. Malaise's ordination, and three weeks short of his 70th birthday.

Frs. Peter Dunne and Lyons continue the Religious Inquiry Classes.

As the college classes were just starting, the Mass of the Holy Ghost was attended only by the High School. Fr. Lyons preached the sermon.

Gen. Fred Butler an alumnus and brother of Fr. Raymond Butler, with "Butler's Task Force," a tank column, made exceptional gains against the Germans in France.

Registration

U. S. F.—Day Division	133
Evening Division	74
Day Law	10
Evening Law	46

S. I. H.—1st Year	280
2nd Year	233
3rd Year	177
4th Year	150
	820

There are eight divisions in 1st year high.

Sept. 15-20. U.S.F. was host to 20 Fathers of the Society of the Divine Word en route to New Guinea. They were housed in the Army student barracks.

Chaplain Visitors: Frs. Thos. Ewing and Geo. Manly of Chic. Prov.; Frs. John Lanahan and Lawrence McHugh of Maryl. Prov.; Fr. Chas. O'Callaghan of N. E. Prov.; Chap. Lane a Newark priest who met Frs. Clark and McGrorey in Italy.

Fr. Feely gave the two Fresno Clergy Retreats at El Retiro.

BELLARMINE PREP

Enrollment	1943	-944
Resident	98	126
Commuters	106	76
Vicinity	200	218

Serra High at San Mateo received last year's first year high boys who came to Bellarmine from San Mateo. Naturally the new school takes this year's prospective freshmen.

SANTA CLARA

Fr. Stack preached at the Mass of the Holy Ghost.

Fr. Albert Casey gave the University Retreat to 106 students.

At the Stanford Conference on the Humanities Fr. Shipsey read a paper on "The Humanities and the Social Sciences."

In the Sodality, under the direction of Fr. Schmidt, the Eucharist Committee has inaugurated a series of discussions on the Life of Our Lord as a Living Personality. A Marriage Discussion Group and a General Discussion Committee have been organized. Plans are being made to begin the Parish Boys' Club again.

Sept. 19. Fr. Kropp left for Toronto.

Fr. Henry Walsh's history of the Mother Lode Country is ready for printing. He is seeking satisfactory terms for its publication.

CHAPLAINS

Fr. Gaffney is a Captain. He is in Africa and has a parish 1100 miles long as the plane flies. He has been 60 hours in the air, but refuses to so much as guess what the mileage may be. He is surprised at the proficiency shown in school by some 600 young Uncle

Toms.

Fr. O'Mara was cited for work done with the troops before the Channel Invasion. Between times to keep from getting rusty, he gave a retreat to some English Sisters.

Fr. Giambastiani was hurt while driving in a jeep to say his third Mass. The driver left the road and had to stop short to avoid going into a 15-ft. ditch. Fr. Giambastiani broke his leg. The driver escaped uninjured. A soldier who was with them received bad head bruises. Father was laid up for some twelve days in the hospital Sept. 3-15, when he expected to start saying Mass again.

Fr. Kelly saw Frs. Clark, Carr and O'Mara. The constant drive has made Frs. Clark and O'Mara show the effects of wear and tear. Fr. Kelly took part in the Channel Invasion, and in the South France Mediterranean Invasion.

Fr. Carr kindly gave his chance to see Naples and other places, to another. His own chance never came again. He is back in Africa.

Fr. Kilp has been transferred from an Armored Division to a Tank Destroyer Group. He gave a Day of Recollection to the Nurses.

Fr. Deasy is overseas at this time, we believe. He gave a final overseas address. All his outfit had gone across.

Fr. Lynch is at Camp Robinson, Arkansas.

Fr. Corbett is at Camp Clairborne, La.

Fr. Hanley gave four sacraments in less than an hour. Another time he gave all five sacraments in one day. He was praised by General Lawson, when the latter visited the outfit.

Fr. Kavanagh gave a mission to 400 members of bomber crews. He had a St. Ignatius Day celebration by meeting three other Jesuit priests on that occasion. He and other chaplains five all told, took up a collection for Bishop Wade's vicariate. The Bishop will be able to do some rebuilding with the resultant \$6,058.

Fr. McMahon's address: MAG 92—Marine Corps Air Station—Oak Grove, New Bern, N. C.

VARIA

Fr. Want is assistant pastor at Our Lady of Guadalupe, 522 Pico Ave., San Bernardino. He says three Masses each Sunday, and preaches four times, one of the sermons being in English. The parish has three missions attached to it.

Fr. William Shepherd is second assistant with Fr. Want.

St. Joseph's Parochial School has 421

pupils.

Fr. Casassa spent the summer in New York, working at Fordham, and also helping in an occasional Jersey City call.

Fr. Tichenor is sub-beadle of Ter-tians; Frs. McIntosh and Cosgrove are sacristans.

Fr. Assistant gave the Boston Clergy retreats, two of them, in September. The exercises were held at St. John's Seminary, Brighton, Mass.

The Bannans were good to the Society. From a recent dividend, they gave \$12,000 to the coastal houses: Seattle \$2,000; U.S.F. \$2,000; U.S.C. \$2,000; Loyola University \$4,000; and \$2,000 to another house.

To help the work of supporting our students in philosophy, theology and in graduate subjects, Fr. Provincial has appointed local directors of the Jesuit Seminary Association, in practically all the houses. The Province catalogue will list these Fathers as "Loc. dir. J.S.A."

Fr. Charles Leahy has been at O'Connor Sanitarium some weeks, while waiting to go to Maryknoll Sanitarium, Monrovia, for a rest cure and treatment by Dr. Hayes.

The Holy Name Union of Phoenix, under the inspiration of Fr. Daze, has issued a 3-page folder "From One Layman to Another" teaching a daily ten minute meditation.

FR. ALBERT BELANGER

- 1898 —Apr. 12, b. in Port Angeles, Wash., of Albert Belanger and Anna Goerg.
 1917 —Jul. 3, Entered from Gonzaga.
 1917-19—Novice, Los Gatos.
 1919 —Jul. 31, Vows (Fr. Melchers).
 1919-20—Junior, Los Gatos.
 1920-21—Prefect, Santa Clara
 1921-24—Philosophy, Spokane.
 1924-27—Teacher, Loyola High
 1927-31—Theology, St. Louis
 1930 —Jun. 25, Ordained by AB. Glen-non, St. Louis.
 1931-32—Tship, Port Townsend.
 1932-33—Pf. of Disc., Bellarmine
 1933 —Last Vows (Fr. McCann)
 1933-36—Minister, Loyola High
 1936-38—Asst. Pastor, Bl. Sacrament
 1938-40—Minister, St. Jos., San Jose
 1940-42—Pf. of Disc., Loyola High
 1942-44—Teacher, Loyola High
 1944 —Jul. 15, died of heart attack, in Los Angeles.

"DOWN WITH THE JESUITS"

Whenever a calamity, an earthquake, an uprising, a hurricane or revolution happens in this world, there is always

one group at whose door the evil may be placed. It is popular to "Blame the Jesuits." All great intrigues have been attributed to the sons of St. Ignatius of Loyola. If there is trouble in Germany, the Jesuits are expelled. If there is an epidemic of radicalism in Spain, the Jesuits are banished. If there is a revolution in France, the Jesuits are thrown out of the country. We heard . . . of a local woman (in Buffalo) who complained that because of the seismo-graph at Canisius College, earthquakes occurred in this vicinity. It was at least sufficient reason to banish the Jesuits, from Fr. Sweeney down to our dear old friend, the Lay Brother, that answers the door bell at Canisius High School.

Even the crowd . . . attending the communist meeting at the Eagles' Auditorium, Dec. 11, 1936, cheered when it was announced that the Jesuits were driven out of Spain.

Such popularity must be merited. No group of men . . . are able to . . . attain a position where they become the target of monumental abuse from such sources without earning the distinction. . . . They have earned the place by their supreme sacrifices for the Church, their devotion to Catholic education and their efforts to spread the Word of God throughout the world. . . .

"Down with the Jesuits" has been an age-old cry. The Jesuits being good fighters, are downed but are never out. . . . They have seen in the course of centuries most of their enemies buried without honor, whereas the Jesuit death lists have increased the number of their saints. . . .

They have been blamed for infamous characters graduates of Jesuit schools, whose sole claim to distinction is the notoriety they receive when they fall from grace. Jesuit education is generally so thorough that, employed in the wrong direction, it is able to degrade the mind as low as, in others it is able to elevate it.

And so the cry goes on, "Down with the Jesuits" . . . a great order of men that has added so much to the lustre of the Church and glory to the arts and sciences. — Catholic Union and Times, Buffalo, 1937.

DEATHS

- Fr. Hagemann's father.
 Fr. Chas. McCarthy's father.

Exivere

- John F. Brady, 3rd yr. regent.
 Alphonse Von Woerkom, coadjutor.